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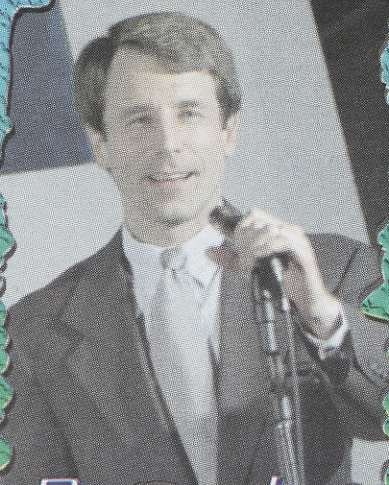
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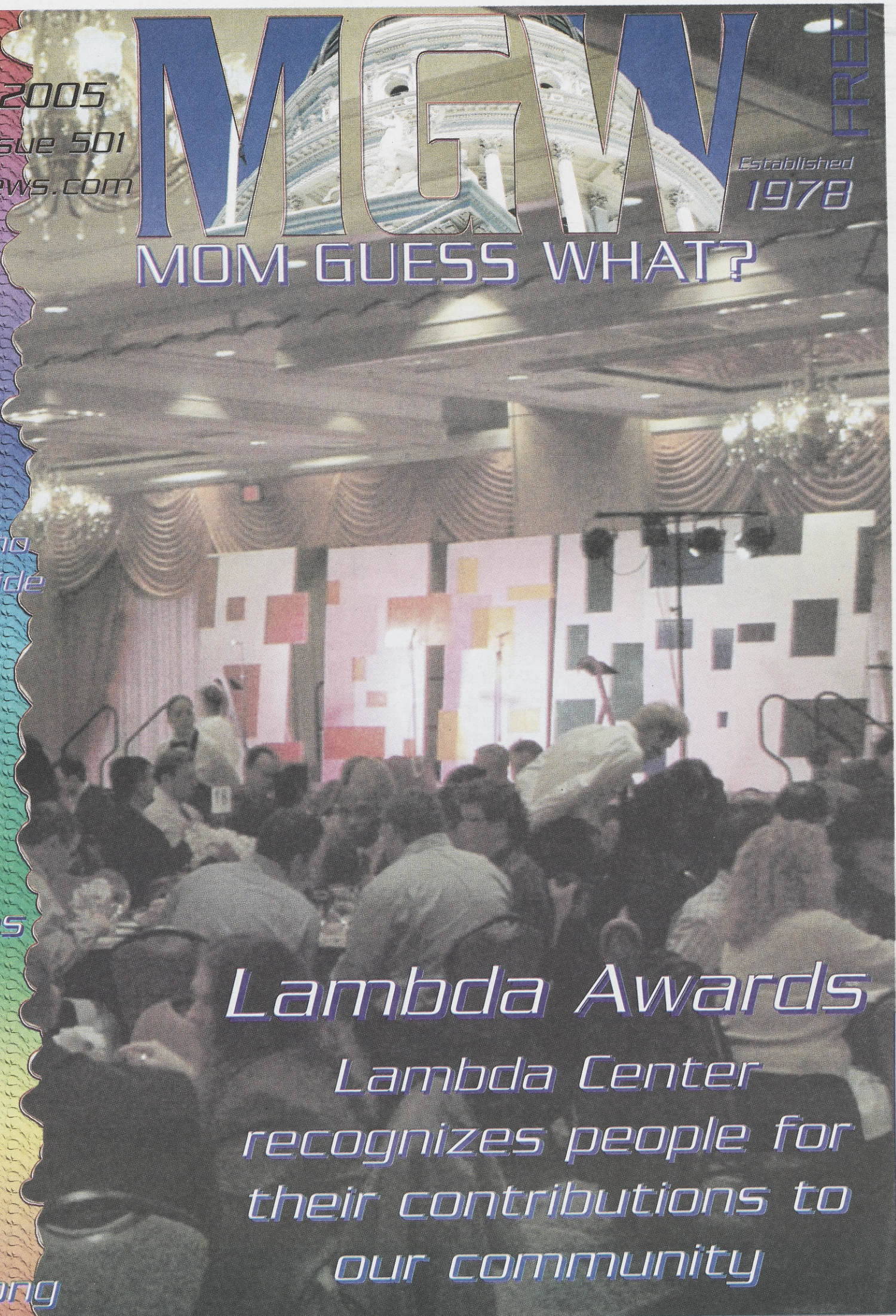
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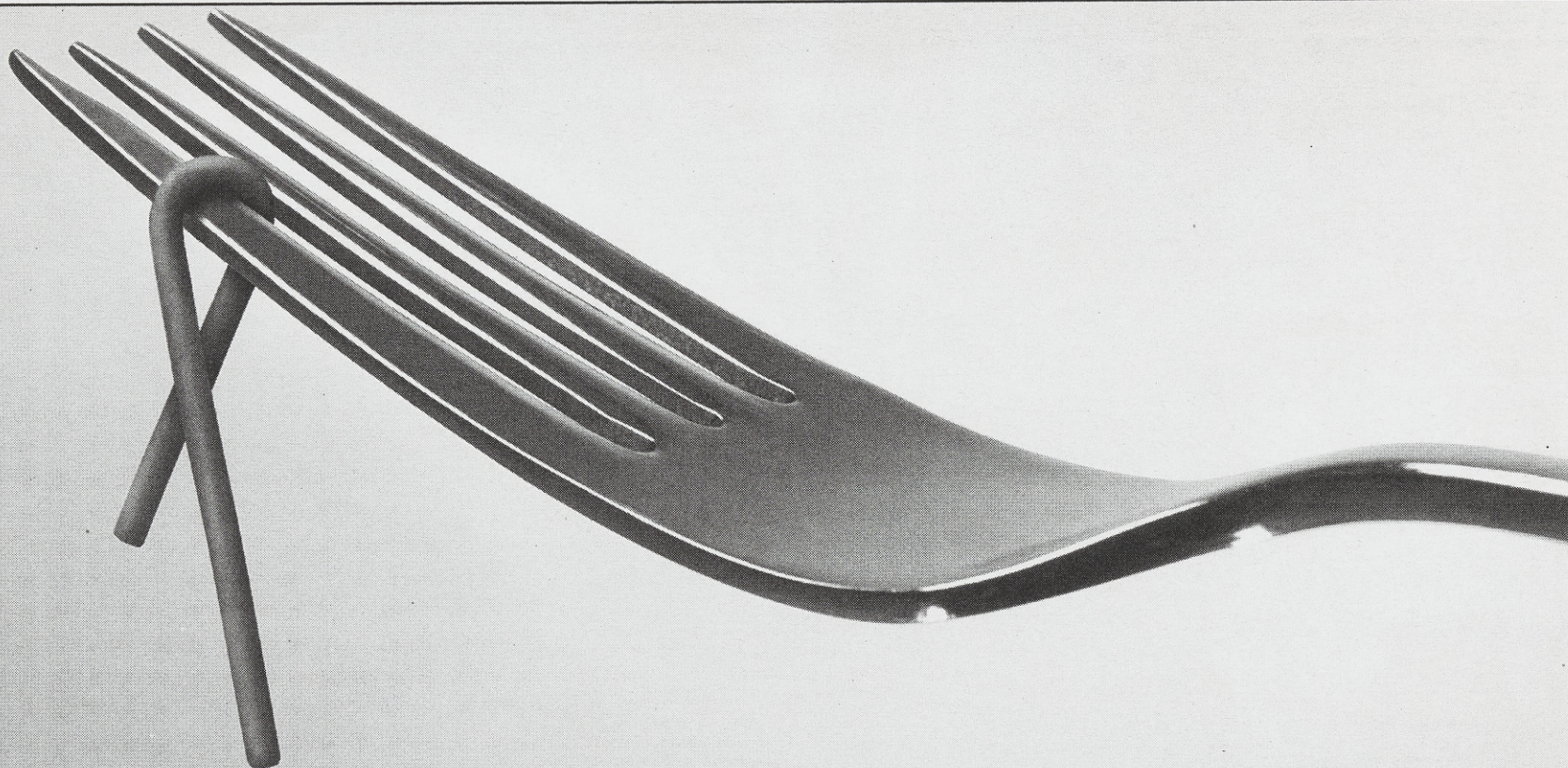


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LAMBDA LOOKING FOR NEW E.D.

The Lambda Community Fund, a nonprofit agency serving the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Community of the Greater Sacramento, California area, has announced a search for a new full time Executive Director. Thanks to a very generous grant from the California Endowment, Lambda is able to offer a competitive salary and to make the position full time for the first time in many years.

Lambda is looking for someone with proven leadership skills, solid experience in non-profit fiscal management and grantsmanship, coalition building between diverse communities, and the ability to articulate a vision for our fast-growing organization. The ability to cultivate relationships with and build consensus among people from diverse cultures, ethnicities, sexual orientations, and gender identities is a must.

"Getting a full time Executive Director is going to make a big difference," said Bill Snyder, Lambda's Board President. "Also, this will be the first time in Lambda's over 20-year history that we are able to put an experienced nonprofit professional at the helm," he continues. "Having a full time professional will allow us to do things we've only dreamed about in the past.

While Sacramento has become one of the fastest growing areas in the nation over the last five years, under part-time leadership the Lambda Community Fund has struggled to keep up. Now we will be able to 'catch up' and grow into the larger role needed by our underserved community."

"This is an exciting time to become involved with the Lambda Community Fund," Snyder said. "Our Executive Director's position will have something not available anywhere else in the country—unlimited potential. While Sacramento has become the twelfth largest metropolitan area in the United States, larger than Cleveland and Atlanta, the

Cleveland and Atlanta LGBTI Centers have multi-million dollar budgets and we do not."

The new Executive Director will help the Board of Directors to develop a comprehensive five-year strategic plan. Major components of the strategic plan will be obtaining and moving into larger facilities; greatly expanding our programming for youth, adults, and seniors; creating a counseling center for our whole community; establishing an LGBTI homeless youth shelter; housing for LGBTI seniors; and recruiting LGBTI and LGBTI-friendly foster parents and adoptive parents for our LGBTI youth "in the system."

The new Executive Director will then be asked to create the business plans and budgets necessary to fulfill all aspects of the strategic plan. Of course, the Executive Director will implement the plans and direct the development efforts necessary to accomplish this.

Snyder explains that he expects that Lambda's ambitious agenda will give the new Executive Director an opportunity to achieve a national reputation. All who are interested in the challenge and adventure of a lifetime are greatly encouraged to apply by email only with a resume and letter of interest to Bill Snyder at president@lambdasac.org. The deadline for applications is midnight, April 30th. For more information about the Lambda Community Fund, please go to our website at lambdasac.org.

CORONATION 2005

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to a very special fundraising event for Capital City AIDS Fund, Sacramento's Imperial Coronation Weekend April 22-24, 2005.

Many of you may not know what a "Coronation" is or what this event is all about. Basically, the group organizing this is CGNIE - Sacramento's "Imperial Court". This charitable organization is steeped in history within the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered Community, with over 40 years of fundraising, community activism and charitable

endeavors since its inception in San Francisco in the late 1960s. Each year, the Sacramento community elects an "Emperor" and "Empress" to represent our community, raise funds for various charities and provide leadership for volunteers from all walks of life. The "Coronation" celebrates the end of the one-year "Reign" - charity monies are distributed to the client organizations and a new "Emperor" and "Empress" are selected for the year.

This year, CGNIE has already given over \$60,000 to various charities. And now, Capital City AIDS Fund is set to receive 50% of the net proceeds from the 2005 "Coronation" Events!

What happens at these events? - FRIDAY 04/22 there is a brief show featuring people from all over the United States and Canada, followed by a Riverboat Cruise on the Matthew McKinley Steamboat

- SATURDAY 04/23 there is a "Hospitality" with complimentary food and an open bar, followed by the Coronation Ball itself, which includes dinner, entertainment, awards and disbursements

- SUNDAY 04/24 there is a "Victory Brunch" for the newly elected Emperor and Empress, followed by a trip to Thunder Valley

Casino, a Free BBQ and a victory party and show for the newly elected Emperor and Empress

All of these events are open to everyone ... and you can attend any or all of them with a "Weekend Pass" for only \$50. As you can see, even the price is extremely reasonable!

We would invite everyone to log on to CGNIE.com or contact Mike Johnston at 916.448.0706 x11 for more details on each of the functions and to get that weekend pass. As we said above, with this special ticket package you have the option to attend any of the events at your leisure. By doing so, you help CGNIE and the Sacramento Community provide badly needed funds for a good cause ... Capital City AIDS Fund.

We thank you for your attention, and hope to see you at Coronation 2005!

Sincerely,

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Chair, Capital City AIDS Fund, Inc.

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What's Your P.H. Balance With Your N.S.O. ?

By Matthew Burlingame/MGW Editor

I wear two hats in our community—one being the Editor for MGW, the other being the Artistic Director for Lambda Players. I spend my day working on the paper, then go right to the theatre where I spend most of my evening. Both are a labor of love.

The other night I was helping to close the theatre and talking to one of the straight actresses from the current production. As we talked, she suddenly asked me when my partner was coming to the show. I gave her a confused look, telling her I didn't have a partner.

"Yes, you do," she insisted. "I've heard the others talking about your husband. When are we gonna get to meet him?"

"Oh, him?" I asked horrified by the visual my mind decided to display for me. "He's not my partner, he's my P.H."

"PH?"

"Platonic Husband."

She looked at me blankly.

"My N.S.O.?" I offered.

Again she just smiled, not understanding.

"Nonsexual Significant Other."

"Does that mean you have an open relationship?" It was then I reassessed and reminded myself that she was a young, straight girl and that this was her first major contact with our community. So I just said, "He's my best friend, only closer."

"Like a brother?"

"Uh...yeah."

No, actually. But I realized that it was the closest thing hetero culture really has that's comparable. And since the alarm was being set, we'd just leave it at that.

The next night I was talking to another friend of mine at the Bolt and told him about the experience. He laughed, telling me about a similar experience where his hag had tried to find ways to get him and his NSO to admit they were in love and get together.

"Hets just don't get it," he went on. "It's not their fault. After all it's rare that two straight people of the opposite sex are best friends. And their same sex friendships become like brothers or sisters."

Granted that's not an exact quote—it's hard to understand him after his third pitcher—but it's the gist of what he was saying. I was curious to see if he was correct, so I began asking my het friends what they thought. And none of them really understood what I was talking about. Maybe that proves my point? I dunno.

So, I took the matter up with a bear friend of mine who every once in a while manages to be a fount of wisdom.

"NSO? I like that. I think that's the way it should be; we should marry our NSO and then have sex with strangers."

"Isn't that called an open relationship?" I asked.

"Don't be nasty. I'm simply saying who better to spend your life with than someone who is more than your best friend, but not who you want to have sex with. The sex life dies after a few years anyway. You go out, you do what you want, you come home to someone you connect with, you go to bed, there's no drama... what could be more perfect?"

What indeed? Setting the open relationship question aside as we all have our opinions about that topic, I then corrected him about the "no drama" factor. We all have drama, and who better to have our dramatic moments with than the man—or woman—we're the closest to, or more to the point, slightly codependent with?

Just the other night in fact my NSO and I had a major dramatic

moment over his leaving me standing for 40 minutes in the dark being eaten by mosquitoes because he forgot to pick me up. Needless to say by the time he arrived, I was feeling as dramatic as a drag queen on crack who just had all her wigs stolen. I introverted my anger, he deflected his blame, we snapped at each other several times and then we got over it.

Maybe that's what my bear friend meant—not that there is never any drama, but that the drama that comes up is resolved faster. After all, we can leave our SOs, but we are lost without our NSOs. They are definitely hard to come by.

I then asked him if he had an NSO.

"Yes," he replied. "I'm lucky, I have a hag, an SO and an NSO and a best friend."

"Do they all get along?"

"Of course."

"Really?"

"No. But they tolerate each other. That's enough."

Hets may not have the intricate relationships our community

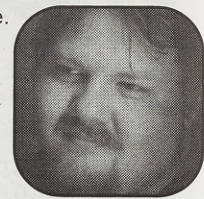
seems to have.

Maybe it's because most of our community has a different concept of family, that most of them never develop. Or maybe they have relationships we don't always grasp.

Who knows? And in the end, who cares? As long as we all respect—and at least pretend to understand—the nuances and differences of these special bonds. In the end all I do know is that I'm lucky enough to have someone who accepts me unconditionally, that I trust unquestioningly, that shares a similar healthy codependence (if there is such a thing), and whom I trust with my life.

And best of all, I can date whoever I want. He, on the other hand, has to submit his dates for approval. Hey, I said I trusted him with my life, I didn't say anything about trusting his taste in men. ▼

Send feedback and letters to the editor to: MGWeditor@mgwnews.com. You must include your name, address and a valid phone number.



Dear Editor...

I was interested to read in your March 15 issue of the merger of the staff and resources of Mom Guess What? and Q-Ragg into the "new" MGW. I've enjoyed reading both publications, but your debut-combined issue revealed that the sum is greater than the parts: Already the newspaper has raised the bar with stronger content and greater visual appeal. With gay and lesbian couples going to the altar like never before, the "marriage" of your publications already looks to be a happy one.

As an alumnus of MGW, The Advocate and the GLBT press, I know first hand the vital, hard work that you do. Your "wedding" is a gift to Sacramento—a continuing voice and resource that our community needs.

P.S. A special that you to your talented editor Matthew Burlingame for his kind words about me in his column. "Dreamy Daddy" is my new handle.

Stephen Kulieke
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U.S. AIDS GROVE TO GET 'BURNT FOREST' AREA

Trustees of the National AIDS Memorial Grove in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park, the only federally recognized memorial to the AIDS pandemic, have selected a design for the centerpiece of the seven-acre space. The winning design, which looks like a burned forest is called "Living Memorial." The park will also feature a charred wood deck and a burned bark-like walkway in an attempt to evoke a sense of "loss and renewal."

OHIO BAN TRIPS SECOND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASE

A second judge in Cleveland has agreed that the state's new constitutional amendment prohibiting same-sex marriage also weakens the state's domestic violence statute. Cleveland Municipal Judge Lauren C. Moore ruled that a man accused of physically abusing his live-in girlfriend could not be charged with domestic violence, because of Issue 1, which voters approved last fall. That amendment to Ohio's constitution says the state cannot give legal status to unmarried couples.

STUDY DETAILS CONN. GAY PAIRS' FISCAL TRIALS

Same-sex couples in Connecticut suffer tens of thousands of dollars in financial penalties each year—and hundreds of thousands over a lifetime—because they cannot marry, according to a study released Thursday by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF). The study profiles two Connecticut gay couples and examines specific economic hardships they face because they cannot marry, including differences in state income tax, Social Security benefits, gift tax, estate tax, worker's compensation and line-of-duty death benefits.

N.Y. COURT DENIES AID TO SURVIVING PARTNER

A New York state appeals court in Albany ruled Tuesday that a New York City man is not eligible to collect state death benefits after his long-time partner died when American Airlines Flight 587 crashed into a Queens neighborhood in November 2001. Represented by the New York-based Lambda Legal, Bill Valentine had sought to collect survivor benefits from the New York State Workers'

Compensation Board (WCB) after his partner of more than 20 years, flight attendant Joe Lopes, was among the 260 people who died in the crash.

MARTINA NAVRATILOVA ENDORSES GAY TRAVEL COMPANY

Martina Navratilova agreed to endorse a travel company for lesbians Thursday, hoping the deal will encourage acceptance of gays. "Anytime you raise awareness, you're helping the issue," Navratilova said. "People are uncomfortable with what they don't know. Once you put a face on it and make it personal, it changes things." The only other athlete sponsored by the company, Olivia, is golfer Rosie Jones, who announced her deal a year ago and simultaneously disclosed she's a lesbian.

ANTI-GAY WHITE SUPREMIST RUNS FOR MONTANA SCHOOL BOARD

A white supremacist who calls gays "sick" and advocates creating a whites-only, non-Jewish society has qualified to run as a candidate for the nine-member Bozeman School Board. Kevin McGuire is one of four candidates who will vie for three open seats in the May 3 election. McGuire is affiliated with the National Alliance, a group described as extremist. The Montana Human Rights network

says the group is one of the largest and most influential hate groups in the country. "Our children are taught about the histories and cultures of Blacks, Latinos, Asians, Jews and Native Americans but any sense of White racial solidarity or White racial pride is condemned as White racism; and that is not right," McGuire told the Bozeman Chronicle. "I stand against the homosexual agenda currently in our school system which not only preaches acceptance of homosexuality but actively encourages it."

FBI ENTERS PROBE OF HIV/AIDS LETTERS

The FBI and the U.S. Postal Service have joined the criminal investigation into the disclosure of the names and addresses of some of the 6,500 HIV/AIDS patients in Palm Beach County. Florida requires people who carry HIV to register for monitoring purposes. Disclosing the list is a crime. A confidential list of about 6,500 HIV carriers was mistakenly e-mailed to about 800 county health workers in February. At least 16 people opened the e-mail. The list did not include addresses.

GAY RIGHTS GROUP FOR REJECTION OF BUSH JUDGE NOMINEE

Citing serious concerns about his record of hostility to civil rights claims, Lambda Legal is calling for the Senate to reject the nomination of U.S. District

Judge Terrence W. Boyle to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. Boyle has been nominated to the appeals court numerous times and has failed to win Senate confirmation each time, largely because of his extreme judicial views. Earlier this year, President Bush again nominated Boyle to serve on the federal appeals court. The 11 judges on the court hear a wide range of cases appealed from trial-level federal courts in Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia.

CHURCH DIVIDES OVER GAY PRIESTS

A group of evangelical churches has been accused of running scared after it called on the Scottish Episcopal Church to retract a statement on gay priests. The church's College of Bishops said that being a practicing homosexual was not a bar to ordained ministry. The Scottish Anglican Network warned it will consider breaking away unless the church changes its stance. Changing Attitude Scotland accused the evangelical group of being "frightened" of a discussion on the issue. Changing Attitude Scotland is working for the "full affirmation" of lesbian and gay people in the church. ▼

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SAC. STONEWALL NOW LARGEST CHAPTER IN NATION

Founded a mere two years ago, the Stonewall democratic club of greater Sacramento, has recently achieved the status of being the largest single democratic club in the nation. The group was also noted to have donated more money to political candidates than any other club in Sacramento. Stonewall's mission is to advance equal rights for all people, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. The group meets every second Monday 6:30pm at the lambda players theatre, 2427 17th Street. For more info visit: sacstonewall.org

LAMBDA CENTER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DEPARTS

The Lambda Community Center's interim Executive Director Robert Brodie, resigned from his position on shortly after midnight on Wednesday March 16. Brodie joined the Center in 2003, work-

ing as the Executive Director since that Spring. Brodie also served the Center as the webmaster and Sacramento Pride coordinator. Until a new director is hired, Brodie's duties have been divided between Lambda Community Fund Vice President JG Gonsalves and a number of LCF board and supporters. A statement released March 16, from LCF Board President Bill Snyder, said, "[The LCF] wishes Mr. Brodie the best of luck in his future endeavors." The LCF Board of Directors continues to be committed to the higher purpose and vision of the needs of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered and Intersexed community.

LAMBDA PLAYERS SPOTLIGHT LOCAL GLBT PLAYWRIGHTS

Lambda Players., Sacramento's GLBT theatre company will highlight the talent of local GLBT playwrights in a series of readings on April 7, 8, and 9. The first play is A Simple Man by playwright James Martin. The play follows the twists and turns

around love with a younger man. The second play is from Tom Swanner, also known as "Sacramento's gay Neil Simon." Swanner offers audiences I Do/I Don't, a comedy about gay marriage. The third play is Written On The Hill, a comedy-drama by playwright Matthew Burlingame. The piece focuses on an eccentric journalist struggling with demons from his past. The plays will be held at the Lambda Players Theater, 2427 17th Street. Tickets \$5, For more info call: 916.444.8229.

COME ON HOME TO THE SACRAMENTO'S MEN'S CHORUS

Coming Home is the theme of the Sacramento Men's Chorus 20th Anniversary concerts, on the calendar for Friday, May 13 and Saturday, May 14 at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 15, at 4:00 p.m., at the Pioneer Congregational Church, 2700 L St., in mid-town Sacramento. Jointly conducted by SMC Artistic Director Carl Naluai and SMC Assistant Artistic Director Paul Jones, the concerts will cel-

ebate 20 years of musical contributions to Sacramento and the GLBT community.

Tickets for both concerts are \$15 at the door and \$12 in advance and for kids under 12 or seniors 60 and over. They will be available at the door and from chorus members, as well as at the Open Book, 910 21st St., and the Gifted Gardener, 1730 J. St.

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

On Wednesday, April 13, 2005 is the annual Day of Silence. The Day of Silence was founded in 1996, and has become the largest single student-led action towards creating safer schools for all, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. Sacramento Regional Gay Straight Alliance Leadership Council are asking all supporters to gather as they have a candlelight vigil from the Lambda Center at 6:30pm and ends at the State Capital or close to it as they are allowed to march. ▼

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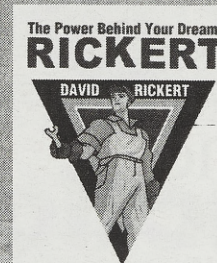
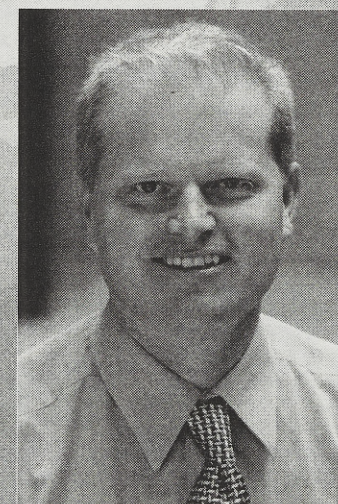
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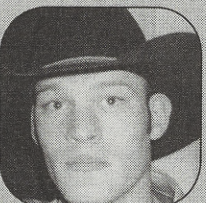
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SACLEGAL SPONSOR FOR "YOU CAN'T MARRY. BUT YOU HAVE TO DIVORCE" SEMINAR IN SACRAMENTO

Compiled By Shira Davida-Goldberg & Richard Clark

With current marriage decisions pending, the domestic partnership law in California is thriving. While wedding bells may not yet ring, AB205, California's Domestic Partnership law, has taken the LGBT further than ever in enjoying the same rights and responsibilities inherent in any type of committed relationship. Lesbian and gay unions now have a tool to help them navigate the often difficult maze that accompanies taking the step into domestic partnership, to insure that everyone is protected and understands their rights and obligations should the partnership end.

On March 19th, the open forum, "You Can't Marry. But You Have To Divorce?!: Understanding California's Domestic Partnership Law," touched upon a broad array of topics associated with domestic partnership. Esteemed community leaders offered a free event to the public to address and facilitate understanding regarding same-sex domestic partnerships, and the legal rights and moral responsibilities that attach to it.

Approximately 75 members of the Sacramento public were in attendance, many of whom had already entered into domestic partnerships. Participating in both personal and professional capacities, members of the LGBT community and a panel of esteemed law makers and attorneys tried to unravel the complexity that currently surrounds the law, addressing familiar concerns about how the law is affecting lesbian and gay unions.

Sponsored by Sacramento Lawyers for the Equality of Gays and Lesbians (SacLEGAL), local LGBT attorneys, and SacLEGAL members M. Jane Pearce, who did a presentation about parentage and estate planning. Jarrod Burch, Laura Maechtlen, Richard Clark, and Kevin Manz assisted with organizing the event.

Held at the Pioneer Congregational Church, speaker Eric Astacaan of the Legislative LGBT Caucus, focused on legislative history and the existing state of affairs. Patricia Nelson and Kinna Patel spoke on family law and dissolution. The panel of attorneys gave their time and energies to help explain the current state of the law and potential impact on our community.

Mary K. Stroube, the author of Domestic Partnership In California I Do... don't I? discussed the social and political implications of exercising these new rights and responsibilities.

Stroube said, "We, as a gay community, have the opportunity to assume the rights and responsibilities to which I personally believe all people are entitled. We can step out—come out—and accept our place at the altar or at the courthouse with all our neighbors. It's going to scare some people, straight and gay alike. It's going to require thought and courage and patience and tolerance. It's going to require education. It's going to require time."

Carolyn Langenkamp, a noted civil rights attorney, imparted valuable up to the minute information, as did attorney Carole F. Ruwart, from the California Board of Equalization, who offered an insightful presentation on property and tax laws that effect lesbian and gay partnerships.

AB205 officially took effect on January 1, 2005, and there is a provision that allows partners to opt out of the law prior to June 30, 2005. It may seem to many in the LGBT community that the law is difficult and not widely understood, but there seemed to be recognition that the law has changed for the better the way LGBT relationships will be treated in the future. While California's Domestic Partnership Law (AB205) has brought recognition and affirmation regarding same sex relationships, it has also brought into the foreground that relationships will be treated with much more formality than in the past.

When entering into a domestic partnership within the meaning of AB205, obligations, rights and responsibilities attach. Many issues remain unsettled, but there are community leaders and attorneys ready to help navigate the issues and questions that are bound to arise on the journey. ▼

THE NEWLY ELECTED MR. & MISS GAY SACRAMENTO 2005



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MGW congratulates the newly elected Miss Gay Sacramento, Divinity Hayes, and Mr. Gay Sacramento David Dilly, both of Sacramento. The event was sponsored by CGNIE and held to a packed audience at Faces Nightclub.

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The Best Hot Pastrami in the World

By Katrina Torres/MGW Staff



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It's been called "the best naked pastrami sandwich" in Sacramento, and they could be right. I've never tried eating one while naked, although, as delicious as they taste, I don't think I'd care if I had clothes on or not. Oh, the SANDWICH is naked! Why didn't you say so in the beginning, instead of getting me all excited like that? No, I wasn't excited by the "naked", I was excited by the sandwich. Because served naked or not, it really is the best pastrami sandwich in town. Hands down.

I should know, I've been eating there for years (and I've never seen anyone naked there, except the sandwich). I don't even bother to order a pastrami sandwich anywhere else. When you've had the best, why mess with the rest? I wouldn't exactly call the place a dive, mostly because if I did I couldn't show my face there again, but it definitely has a very comfortable, well-broke-in appeal to it. A couple of the swivel-backed barstools are embellished with duct tape, but somehow that just adds to its charm.

While a lowly culinary arts student at nearby American River College, my friends and I would stop 2 or 3 times a week to get our whistles wet and our tummies filled with a pile of juicy, hot pastrami piled high on a French roll, with peppers, a pickle and chips on the side. (The menu proudly proclaims, "There Are No Fries Served At The Hot Pastrami", so don't ask. Seriously, don't ask!) But don't get the idea that it's a

hang-out for college students, because most of the clientele are over 30, laid back and just hungry for a big, fat, juicy pastrami sandwich like they used to get back in the "good old days" when you still got your money's worth.

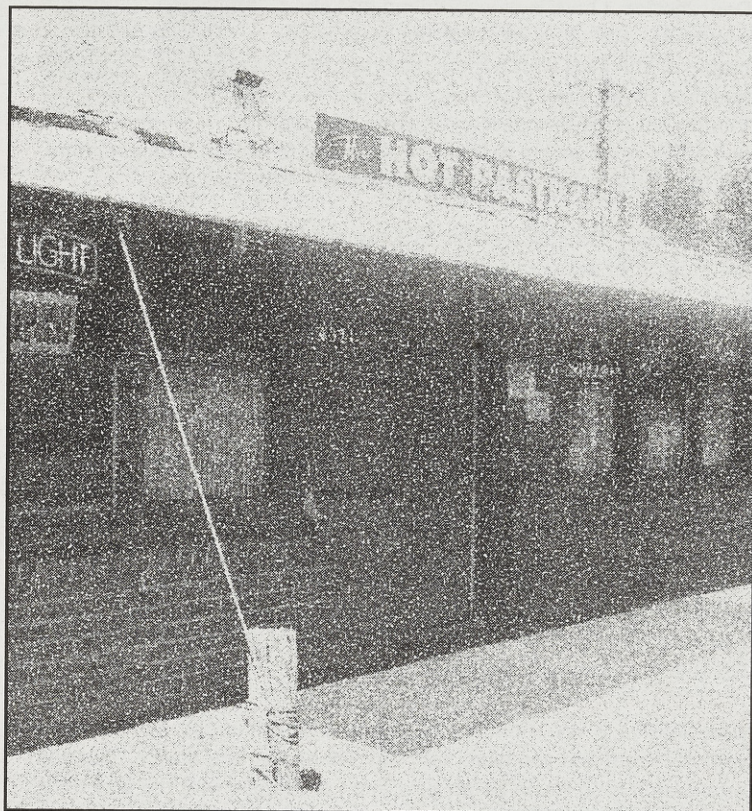
While the Hot Pastrami definitely earns the distinction of being "the best naked pastrami sandwich" in town, there are a few other categories it's eligible to win. Like "the best place to have the only vehicle in the parking lot at exactly noon that's not a 4-wheel drive pickup owned by a general contractor who's been eating there 3 times a week for the last 17 years", the "best place to slam a 16 oz. mug of brew and a bowl of chili during a thirty minute lunch break," the "best place to call ahead and have your dinner waiting for you when you head home" or my favorite, "the best place to be verbally abused while indulging your oral fixation."

OK, you probably won't be eligible for the abuse on your first visit or two. After all, owner Janet is, after all, a savvy business-woman (and latent dominatrix?) who makes you earn your abuse. However, you can bring out her natural talent in a number of ways, such as asking for a substitution, complaining about the food or anything else, touching her nice, clean curtains, or knocking on the door before she opens for business, an unwise and sometimes fatal mistake. Everybody loves Janet. She makes us feel so loved.



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The Hot Pastrami



I would like to have been able to tell you that you could mention MGW and get a quarter off of your order, but when I finally worked up the nerve to ask Janet, she smirked, looked me up and down, and said "Yeah, right! Do I look like a charity to you?" But she didn't hit me, and that's a good sign. However, not to be outdone, I figured out a way to save you a quarter anyway. She has a little sign hanging above the kitchen door that says "YCJCYAQFTJB", and she'll charge you a quarter to tell you what it means. But save your quarter, because it means "your curios..it..y..." uh, well, maybe you should just go ahead and pay the quarter. I'm not ready to give up her hot pastrami sandwiches, and if I tell you the secret, I can never go in there again. Besides, she knows who I am. Sorry folks. That's how good those hot pastrami sandwiches are. The laugh you'll get is worth the quarter, and if you're sharing your table with a friend, she'll remind you that she's giving you a 2 for 1 deal, so you're still saving a quarter after all!

While ordering a grilled cheese, soup, salad, chili or a "Janet Special" instead of a hot pastrami sandwich might be greeted

with looks of disbelief and a hand testing your forehead for fever, those items are available, and are pretty good, by the way. You can even get a low-carb pastrami-in-a-bowl, or a side of carrot cake to nullify it, or as I prefer to say "break even." Pitchers of draft are \$6, as are 6-packs to go.

The Hot Pastrami is open from 11am to 6pm Monday through Friday, and 11am to 5pm on Saturday, with food served from opening till closing. Call ahead; they'll have it ready for you. ▼

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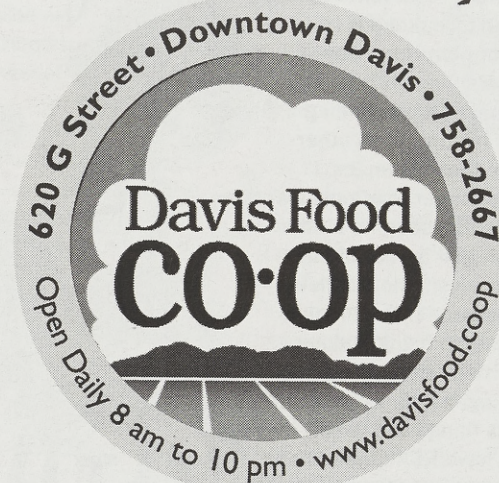
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Dear Mother,

About six months ago, I came to terms with the fact that I am codependent and obsess too much on my relationship with my best friend. So I decided to take steps to be a better friend, which included not calling to "check up" on him every day—I let him call me now, I don't freak out if I don't hear from him for a day—I just realize he's busy with something, and I have stopped being so jealous of his time with other friends. Since these changes, I have forged stronger relationships with other friends, become a little more independent and even started dating. However, I now believe my friend has gone from taking me for granted, to being jealous. Every time I mention another friend or dating, he starts acting bitchy or says things like "well, I'm glad you have REAL friends". I think he wants me to go back to the way I was. Is it ever OK to be codependent?—Cody in Elk Grove

Honey, we are all codependent. Some of us just manage to deal with it better than others. I'm sure a therapist would say you've done the right thing. But lookin' at it like an old lady whose kids only write when they have problems—sometimes we all need to be reminded that there is some-

one that worries about us and loves us to the point of makin' a big ol' fool outta themselves. So you keep doin' what's right for you, it's makin' you a better person, but every week or so, just make a big ol' stink over your friend so he knows he is still the most important friend in your life. Kisses!



Dear Mother, I have had a pen pal for the past 15 years. She and I started by writing letters, then moved to phone conversations and recordings, and now we email each other almost every day. We know each other better than even our girlfriends know us. Recently, she told me she was coming to San

Francisco and asked me if I would come meet her. I said I would, I wouldn't miss it. But now, I am worried because even though she has seen pictures of me, I am still embarrassed by my weight. I am a big woman, and I don't think I'm going to shed 100's of pound in a month. I am chickening out. Should I go or just make an excuse.

Baby Grrrl, you have got to be yankin' my leg. Now ya just said she's seen pictures of you, right? So she knows you're a big gal. And if ya known each other 15 years, I bet she knows who you are on the inside and that's all that really matters. Just throw your fears in the ashtray and go meet your friend. Besides, I am tired of all you gals thinking bein' big is a crime against nature. You just remember what my friend Edna says, "Big, blonde and beautiful, there ain't nothin' that's more suitable." Yup, Edna's a BIG gal, honey, and best of all, she's got a big heart, like I'm sure you do. Let me know how the meetin' goes! ▼

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HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You idiot! How did you get yourself in this mess? Well, that doesn't matter now. Look to old friends to help you climb out of the hole you've dug.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You need to slow down. You may think you can handle stress, but your body can't.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Stop taking the opposite view just to be difficult. Your loved one's need you now.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) So, your ex has moved on but you haven't. Who's fault is that? When you point your finger, there are three pointing back at you.

OK?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your friend may be an idiot, but he is still your friend. Make some special time just for him and listen to his problems without judgment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Step away from the mirror and stop admiring your outer self. Inside is an ugly mess and you better get a mop and bucket and get to work.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) The sun is always shining in your world, but others need it more than you, get out of the way.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You need to check yourself before you wreck yourself. Maybe you aren't happy because you aren't making quality time with the people who love you for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

So this is your life...yeah, and? Your life is what you make it. If you don't like it, change it, it's not that hard.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You are seriously getting on everyone's nerves. I don't know who told you you could do and say whatever you wanted without taking the consequences of your actions, but think again.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Stop putting your own selfish needs first. Even in other people's pain, you make it all about you. Whatever! Get a handle on the drama.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You know you want it. But you don't need it. Is it really worth it? You need to seriously evaluate the old manifest destiny and make a con-

Tarotscopes

By Jessica Rabbit



photo by andrea young

Dear Jessica, I have a new girlfriend and she is wonderful. We really hit it off, but there is one problem: she lives with a man. He's not her husband or even her boyfriend. He's just a friend. But he is very demanding and very jealous of her relationship with me. I want this to work out for everyone, but this guy is really getting on my nerves! —Oakland, CA

Dear Seeker, Sounds messy! But the cards are telling me you should hang on. You are coming up as 6 of Cups- the past is your foundation here. You met this woman for a reason, and she has a role to play in your life, so don't let go! She is Knight of Pentacles, which means she feels duty-bound to care for this man. Is he ill in some way? Because he is coming up as 4 of Swords, which tells me he is in a period of isolation and retreat from the world. Does he do his shopping, take care of him, etc? If so, that pattern needs to continue for a while longer, because according to the 6 of Wands she gets personal satisfaction from doing a good deed for someone less fortunate than she. Plus, the Lovers card tells me that although she loves and desires you, she is resistant to change. Your outcome is Ace of Wands with the Hanged Man, and what I would say is- just lovingly wait for her. The sparks of discontent are just beginning to light within her, but she needs to take her time to adjust to the idea of distancing herself from his needs and forging ahead with her own.

Dear Jessica, A few months ago you read for me about my relationship with my mom and you were right on! Thanks for the advice. Our communication is so much better now and I am happy with the way things are going. In fact, she is getting on a plane with my Dad and coming to visit me (something she hasn't done in 30 years.) How can I make sure we all have a good time when they are here? —Berkeley, CA

Dear Seeker, Well, just know this: the visit will be great. Everyone will enjoy themselves, but there's a little prep work you have to do. You are coming up as the Page of Wands, which is good in the enthusiasm department, bad in the cockiness department. Especially crossed with the Empress. I know you are the queen of your castle, but when your mama comes, let her be the queen for a while. She will be even if you resist it, because she just IS, and that's where you learn, grasshopper. In the past, you have been effective with your words in a variety of contexts, as indicated by the Knight of Swords. But now, move from the mouth space to the heart space and open to learning from them while they're are visiting. The Page of Cups with the Hierophant tells me that you should just lovingly try to transcend your tendency to internalize everything. They will be happy to be with you, and will also want to share their advice on how you can make your life better (as parents do). Instead of getting defensive, let them speak and listen. Your outcome will be 3 of Cups- a cause for great celebration! ▼

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Big Government is Marching Into Our Homes

By Daniel Roth, President Stonewall Democratic Club

I hate it when Republicans are right, but Congressman Christopher Shays, a Republican from Connecticut, summed up his own party following Congress and President Bush's unprecedented actions last week surrounding Terri Schiavo, the brain-damaged Florida woman at the center of a bitter moral and legal tug of war between her husband and her parents.

"My party is demonstrating that they are for states' rights unless they don't like what states are doing," Shays said. "This couldn't be a more classic case of a state responsibility. This Republican Party of Lincoln has become a party of theocracy. There are going to be repercussions from this vote. There are a number of people who feel that the government is getting involved in their personal lives in a way that scares them."

I couldn't agree more. Ever since the November 2004 elections the religious-right believes they have a stranglehold on the United States Congress and the President, and now we are seeing the impact of what happens when thirty percent of Americans control 100% of our government. By intervening in the dispute over Terri Schiavo between her husband and her parents, the President and his Congressional allies have revealed how little respect they have for any conservative or constitutional principle that doesn't enhance their partisan power. The Washington Post reported a memo distributed only to Republican senators characterized the Schiavo case as "a great political issue" that could pay dividends with Christian conservatives, whose support is essential in midterm elections such as those coming up in 2006.

In the House, Republican Majority Leader Tom DeLay publicly denounced that Senate memo as "disgusting," but then a recording surfaced of remarks he'd delivered to the Family Research Council, a powerful religious-right lobbying group that backs Republicans.

"One thing that God has brought to us is Terri Schiavo, to help elevate the visibility of what is going on in America," Mr. DeLay preached, according to The New York Times. "This is exactly the issue that is going on

in America, of attacks against the conservative movement, against me and against many others." Even though Mr. DeLay and the religious-right control Congress and the President, he is using the Schiavo case to convince his followers they are still being persecuted, and, therefore, to continue writing checks to Republican coffers.

In the White House, President Bush awoke in the middle of the night to sign the bill that stripped Mr. Schiavo's legal rights as a medical decision maker for his wife and granted Terri Schiavo's parents the right to appeal the case in federal court. Perhaps he was dreaming of the 2000 Presidential Election when he vowed that as President he would limit the role of the federal government.

For dramatic effect, Karl Rove had the President rush back to Washington from Texas. Maybe his handlers didn't want Bush's own flip-flopping to be exposed in his home state. While Governor of Texas, Mr. Bush signed a law permitting hospitals to withdraw critical care in certain cases, despite the most vehement objections of family members. It established a bureaucratic process that can doom such patients even if they, unlike Terri Schiavo, are fully capable of speech, thought and feeling. Now President Bush has changed his mind. As President he says we should honor a "culture of life," whereas when he was Governor he valued hospital profits.

But President Bush's statement about a "culture of life" is a flip-

flop from his previous actions as President. He certainly was not valuing life when he decided to cut \$20 billion from Medicaid, the health-insurance program for the nation's poorest citizens, thus depriving more than a million children of basic medical care. Nor has he valued life to use that \$20 billion to pay for a war in Iraq in which over 1500 American soldiers and countless Iraqi civilians have died.

President Clinton may have said, "The era of big government is dead," but President Bush and the Republicans in Congress have issued in a new era of big federal government—only instead of using government to help people through programs like Social Security, Medicare and student loan programs, Mr. Bush and Mr. DeLay have brought the federal government out of Washington and into our living rooms and bedrooms. They support government denying same-sex couples not just the right to marry, but any of the 1049 rights that married couples receive under federal law. They believe that government has the authority to decide if a woman can end a pregnancy if her life is in danger instead of the woman herself.

President Bush has reduced America to a government of the religious-right, for the religious-right, and by the religious-right. He has diminished Terri Schiavo down to a pawn in his game of power and politics. Hopefully Congressman Shay will be right.



It's the Hypocrisy, Stupid

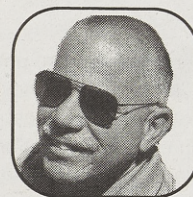
By Sam Catalano/MGW Staff

Since you know my column is not going to be fair and balanced, let's start with the issue that presses my buttons big time — holier-than-thou Republican hypocrisy. Let's start with Governor Arnold. Every March at the time of Arnold's professional bodybuilding contest (called The Arnold Classic), the media gets on the Gropinator about his past steroid use and Arnold says out of one side of his mouth, "When I did it it was legal but now I'm opposed and people shouldn't do it." Let's look at the facts. Did his taking steroids help him to win all those Mr. Olympia contests? Yes. Did his steroid taking make him huge enough to play all those Conan/Terminator movies? Yes. Does every single one of the contestants in his Arnold Classic take steroids? Yes. Does Arnold require that the contestants take tests to prove they are not on steroids? No. Is the professional bodybuilder on the cover of this month's Flex magazine (where Arnold is the editor) taking steroids? Yes. Are all of the professional bodybuilders showcased in his magazines on steroids? Yes. Get the picture. What a Hypocinator.

And now for the BIGGIE—the Republican mantra that marriage equality (that means men marrying each other) would destroy the "holy and sacred institution of marriage" and "would be the

downfall of western civilization." Give me a break! Like Britney Spears 55 hour marriage

was holy and sacred. Here are a few more questions: Can convicted serial killers like Richard Ramirez get married? Yes. Can admitted adulterers like Republican Senator Dennis Hollingsworth get married? Yes. Can any heterosexual murderer, wife beating, child abusing, drug addicted, alcoholic, lying, stealing, ass coveting, family dishonoring, idol worshiping man marry any heterosexual woman? Yes. Is marriage defined in every state as a civil institution? Yes. Have the Netherlands and Belgium collapsed or are they still thriving? Has Massachusetts fallen into the Atlantic? Is this just another of the Republican Big Lies? Will we ever see Tom Delay and Emperor Bush push a constitutional amendment banning heterosexual adulterers from remarrying? (Talk about what's really destroying the holy and sacred institution of marriage—now there's a solution). Can you say double standards? Can you say, "Excuse me?" Can you say—let he who is without sin cast the first stone? Can you say—What (expletive) hypocrites! ▼

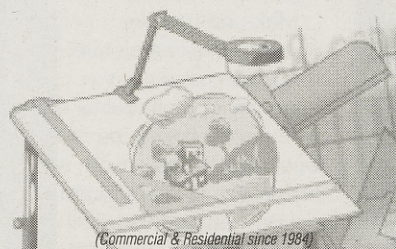


We must not just sit home and be scared by President Bush's theocratic transformation of the United States. We need to deliver repercussions to Republicans

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Fashion: Pack it up

By Steven Willey/MGW Staff

Spring is here and travel season is at its height. Planning your fabulous vacation involves time and preparation. Air travel plans, hotel reservations, car rental & general travel itinerary, most times is all done in advance. Packing is the last task to be had and it is a chore if you end up waiting until the last minute. Packing stressed only makes you forget something vital and makes a mess. Efficient packing will save you time, energy and the life of your clothes.

If you are traveling this season or next year, it is important to get your travel gear all together well before your vacation.

First and foremost you need a suitcase! Yes, I know you have one, it's the caramel brown one you bought in 1983. However, years of getting thrown and banged around the airport may have compromised the life of your baggage. There is nothing more embarrassing than your old suitcase ripping open at the baggage claim and all your prophylactics, Lube and paraphernalia fly out in front of the Middle America airport patrons. If you have old baggage (don't we all) consider parting with it and invest in a new case.

There are many luggage vendors and many price points out there. Personally, I prefer the hard shell suitcase with rollers. With a hard suitcase whatever you're stowing will not get crushed, check out the slick electric blue one from Samsonite 450 collection.

Here's a tip from me to you, save time looking for your luggage at the baggage claim. Tag or mark your suitcase so it will stand out from the others. A friend of mine paints the luggage handle a bright color so her luggage is easy to spot from a distance.

This pains me to say, try and limit your suitcases to 2, one large Suitcase and one carryon. It's always good to have a carry-on with you with at least one costume change in the off chance your luggage is lost or delayed. Pack the majority of your items up to a week before you leave

and reevaluate on the eve of when you leave. O.k., a message to all the clothes horses out there... There is no need to sit, stand or use brute strength to close your luggage, instead use some travel space bags, which will greatly increase the capacity in your suitcase.

If you are not using space bags another suggestion is to neatly, loosely fold your garment and place on a plastic bag and roll it up. Doing this will help save space and prevent your garments from becoming too wrinkled because, who wants to spend a lot of time ironing on their vacation.

When packing your cha cha heels, help preserve them on their journey use shoe forms, they are available in plastic for travel. To keep your shoes looking new and protect their finish cover your shoes with shoe bags.

Packing your toiletries correctly will prevent them from exploding and creating a nasty mess in your goods.

If you don't have one, look into getting a men's toiletries bag, you can buy one just about anywhere from Long's to Louie Vuitton, make sure it is lined with something that is easily cleaned.

Have no fear; you don't have to resort to buying travel size Head and Shoulders because your herb balancing shampoo will not fit into your toiletry bag. Have no fear, there are travel bottle kits available. Check out Aveda for a travel kit, or purchase small containers and transfer your lotions, hair care and other "beauty" essentials. Prior to filling any reusable container make sure you sterilize with alcohol to avoid cross-contamination nothing ruins a look faster than a sty in your eye. Because Liquid expands in the air during flight, make sure you leave

room to allow for expansion (suggest filling 3/4 full) test the caps for leaks. Always put liquid items in sealed plastic bags.

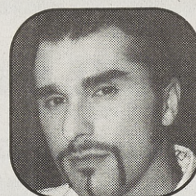
Packing your unmentionables, I have a little funny trick that I use to save space because I always come back with more

than I brought. I pack _ new underwear and _ older underwear, OK don't be a snob you know everybody has that holy pair of socks, tank top and briefs lurking in their dresser. I wear the holy underwear during a vacation adventure, after I have worn them I simply throw them away wasteful maybe, but ask yourself are you really going to mend your ripped 2 x ist?

Lastly bring a laundry bag and place an odor eater sachet in the bag so your luggage stays fresh and a pack a card with all your contact information. Part of looking stylish on your vacation is not only what you wear but how you schluck your stuff. ▼

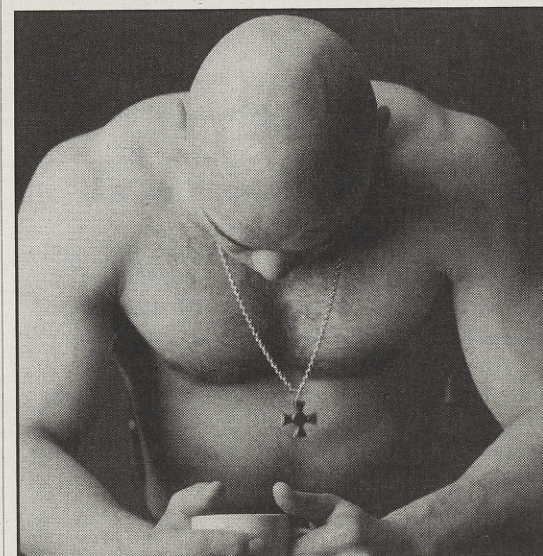
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Russia's Gay Culture Evident in New Photobook

By Michael Shanahan/MGW Staff



Galkin, went to medical school, originally studied the inner body before turning to the art of photography and the study of the outer body.

It was a mere 10 years ago that gay politics in Russia were comparative to America's gay populous in the 1960s. Russian gays were forced to remain underground, ignored, feared and hated. It was Perestroika that finally brought many changes to the country and broke the chains of bondage that had a foothold on the gay and lesbian community in Russia.

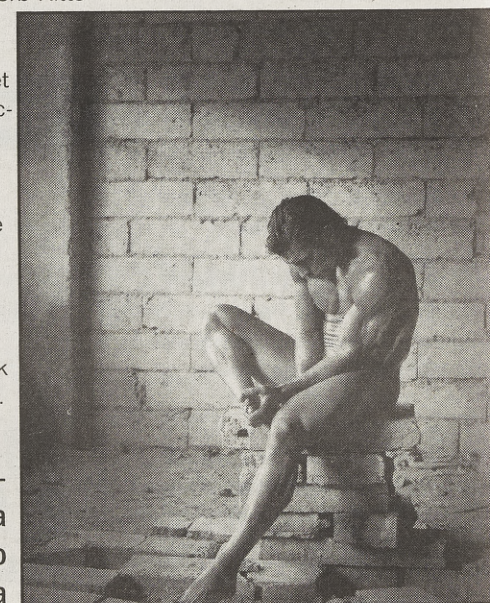
Homosexuality has since been decriminalized, and in general attitudes are more tolerant. These attitudes have allowed for Seva Galkin, the art director of Russia's only gay magazine, KVIR, to publish works of art such as his new photo-book of male nudes, "RUS" (Kolonna Publications, 2005, \$35). Some might say Galkin's work is the Russian equivalent of Herb Ritts' work in America. But Galkin's male nudes cross all borders and yet manage to hold a distinctive feeling of his own culture and country.

Make no mistake about it, this is a picture book with page after page of hot men, but whether browsing the book aesthetically or artistically, Galkin's work delivers on both counts. With a slight industrial

feel mixed with a feeling of new-found freedom, each photograph plays with the aspects of light as they dance across tight torsos, straining backs, rock-hard thighs and uncircumcised privates.

Galkin was born in Moldova (USSR) in 1972. Finished Novosibirsk Medical University in 1996 before taking lessons in design, composition and coloristics. He has participated in many exhibitions of artists and photographers and organized several personal exhibitions; the last one was "Paint Chaos", in the Moscow Photo center. RUS contains more than 100 photographs, contains fold out pages and other artistic elements. ▼

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Seva Galkin's industrial nudes offer a perspective into modern gay Russia

About Schultze

By Stefan Gruenwedel/MGW Staff



Photo By: Grit Schwerdtfeger/Guest Photographer

They say music transcends boundaries. Such is the case in *Schultze Gets the Blues*, the feature film debut of writer/director Michael Schorr. Music not only transforms the main character, it guides the whole film as it travels from the salt mines in the German state of Saxony-Anhalt to the Louisiana bayou.

Schultze Gets the Blues is an interesting film to watch because of the many facets of life it reveals. It provides both a hopeful outlook and a (not unexpected) depressing turn of events, suggesting that life is limited, so live it to the fullest while you can.

Schultze (Horst Krause) finds the uncomplicated routine of his hard-working bachelor life—literally in a salt mine—interrupted when he and two of his closest friends, Jürgen (Harald Warmbraunn) and Manfred (Karl-Fred Müller), are forced into early retirement. Instead of bicycling to work every day, they ride to the bar to drink beer, play chess at the local club, and fish off the side of a railway bridge, where passing commuter trains nearly blow them over.

Schultze misses his old reliable job but seems content in retirement until he happens to hear some particular music on the radio that challenges his musical tastes and lures him in. For this veteran polka music aficionado—his father was a celebrated accor-

dionist in the local club—zydeco's rhythms fly in the face of what he was raised on. Yet the catchy tune on the radio lodges in his head, and within minutes he's able to reproduce it on his own squeeze box.

Unfortunately, the most vocal members of his club want nothing to do with this "jungle music"—especially to celebrate the club's 50th anniversary. But Schultze's friends don't care; in fact, they urge him to play more. For his birthday they chip in to fly him to a polka festival in New Braunfels, Texas, their town's sister city.

This little trip, which Schultze is initially hesitant to embark on, turns into an adventure that changes his life forever.

To show this transformation effectively, *Schultze Gets the Blues* focuses more on the journey than the destination. (There's a passing semblance in this regard to Alexander Payne's *About Schmidt*.) So instead of depicting Schultze visiting the American South, becoming a zydeco champion, and converting those polka traditionalists back home into ragin' "laissez les bon temps roulez" Cajuns, this film takes a more introspective, and believable, course.

It also takes a more mild-mannered approach to storytelling. Schultze's only form of transportation is his bicycle. Even though trains speed through town and planes fly overhead to foreign destinations he wishes he could afford to visit, Schultze takes his time to traverse his own landscape.

Once he lands in Louisiana, the pace remains pretty much the same as Schultze makes his way along the Mississippi by way of a small boat that he "liberates" one morning from its dock. If it weren't for that boat, in fact, he would never get to meet all the locals who make this film so intriguing.

The result is not only a better film, but a beautiful one as well. Whether showing the drab, industrial area along the river Saale in eastern Germany or portraying the colorful, unpredictable life along the Mississippi, *Schultze Gets the Blues* is shot with a photographer's careful eye for composition. A number of scenes

could be framed as widescreen landscape photographs and entered into competition. This is quite an accomplishment for first-time director of photography Axel Schnepf.

Actually, there's much about the film's visuals and editing that suggest a documentary approach. This may be intentional; the writer/director, director of photography, and producer all have backgrounds in documentary filmmaking.

Once Schultze lands in Texas, *Schultze Gets the Blues* takes a slightly different track. Defying one's expectations, Schultze seemingly abandons his reason for coming to America and heads out on his own in an improbable fashion. It doesn't take long to realize that strict adherence to reality may no longer be necessary to pursue Schultze's meandering. Yet this apparent randomness allows us to discover a part of the country that we otherwise know little about, except for stereotypes.

Just as America is a foreign country to Schultze, this film presents situations that are foreign to most mainstream films: old men playing a mean game of dominoes in the back of a bar, a lone fiddler warming up outside a dance hall and greeting visitors in that peculiar French they speak, Americans celebrating Oktoberfest without irony, a Czech band playing unexpectedly on a balcony in a small waterfront town, and a Creole family—headed by single mother Aretha (Anne V. Angelle)—welcoming a strange German into their household. Some of these scenes bear directly on the story, while others do not.

One of them is even heart-breaking, as Schultze suddenly loses his impromptu dance partner in a dance hall and leaves before finding out why.

Even minor supporting characters in the German scenes are fleshed out in memorable ways. A new waitress at the pub he frequents with his buddies suddenly bursts into a flamenco dance. A neighbor blusters from his window as Schultze mows a lawn. A railroad crossing along Schultze's ride to work is ruled by a poetry-reading operator who raises the gate only when he feels like it.

Schultze Gets the Blues

Starring Horst Krause, Harald Warmbraunn, Karl-Fred Müller, Anne V. Angelle.

Written and directed by Michael Schorr.

(Rated PG, 114 min.)



The sum total of all these details is a greatly enriched viewing experience.

At first it seems odd that the predominant music in the film is zydeco, not blues. But what *Schultze Gets the Blues* (the film's original title in Germany) seems to imply here is that Schultze doesn't actually need to

hear the blues performed to come to understand "the blues" as a concept—a deep-rooted feeling of conflicting emotions best experienced in the American South. ▼

Schultze Gets the Blues opens April 1 at the Crest Theatre. Info: www.schultzegetstheblues.com.

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Many dressed in tuxes, suits, and formal dresses, others fashionably casual, the event was double the size of the previous year. Nominees and supporters of a wide variety, all nominated by those who wished to recognize them for their time and commitment.

Nominees for the 2005 Lambda Awards were: Youth Community Spirit - Yvonne Neis, Marina Gatto, Lance Chih; Outstanding Youth - Lance Chih, Devin Clardy, Yvonne Neis; Bayard Rustin- Rev. Charles Cooper, Pastor MacArthur Flournoy, Clarmundo Sullivan; Building Bridges - Mary Stroube, Erik Whedbee, Terry Ashcraft, Carole Chong; Profiles In Courage - Assembly Member Dave Jones, Assembly Member Leland Yee, Andy Noguchi; Fighting AIDS - Sonya Cox, Clarmundo Sullivan, Arturo Jackson; William Knudsen - Brian McMartin, Dennis Mangers, Mark Hoffman & Clayton Whitehead; Gail Lang Arts & Culture - Sacramento Dancesport, Mark Ferreira, The Lambda Players; Community Backbone - Miss Bianca Ramos, Sacramento Valley Bears, Tina Reynolds; Volunteer of the Year - Ron Tackitt, Donna Matthews, Miss Bianca Ramos, George Hansen III; Sloan Founders - Sacramento Valley Veterans, Equality California; Timothy Warford - Paul Curtis, Geoffrey Kors, Sam Catalano;

The Winners were:

President's Award - Barbara Renfree; Outstanding Youth - Yvonne Neis; Bayard Rustin - Pastor MacArthur Flournoy; Youth Community Spirit - Lance Chih; Gail Lang Arts & Culture Award - Sacramento DanceSport; Fighting AIDS - Clarmundo Sullivan; Profiles In Courage - Assembly Member Dave Jones; Volunteer of the Year - Donna Matthews; William Knudsen - Dennis Mangers; Community Backbone - Miss Bianca Ramos; Building Bridges - Carole Chong; Sloan Founder's - Equality California; The Timothy Warford - Sam Catalano. The highlight of the evening was the Timothy Warford Award, presented by former Lambda Community Fund President Gayiel Von to Sam Catalano, known for his work with Sac. Valley Veterans, Stonewall Democratic Club, MGW Columnist, and Sac. Valley Bears, just to name a few. Tearfully, Catalano accepted the award, delivering a a spur of the moment speech which left few dry eyes in the room. His speech included many people and groups to which he was thankful for bringing Sacramento into a Renaissance of activism and pride in past months. ▼

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some resolution. What did her story do to change things? did it do anything and if it didn't why tell it?

Judd: Another long and particularly unengaging film I watched was *Alfie*, starring Jude Law. Now this was another one I missed in the theatres. Pity, I couldn't have missed it all together. Actually, I'm lying. While I didn't enjoy the film, I really liked the makeup, costumes and cinematography. It seamlessly blended modern and swinging '60s fashion and style. You know if I had the budget, time, patience, the fashion savvy, or took any pride in my appearance—basically, if I weren't who I am—I'd dress like that.

Swanner: You call me a big girl when you're fawning all over the costumes and make-up? What next, you and Melissa on the red carpet?

Judd: Yes, but I'm cooing over adult fashion and style. You're getting giddy over the next Hilary Duff vehicle.

Swanner: Shut up! I don't even like Hilary Duff. It's Lindsay Lohan who is like really way cool!

Judd: Yeah. Anyway. The movie I watched was the recent DVD

release of *Testosterone*, which was part of the line up for *San Francisco's Gay & Lesbian Film Festival* last year. I'm not sure what to say about this movie. It was really, really bad. That's one thing to say. Jennifer Coolidge couldn't save this movie. That's another thing that can be said. Antonio Sabato Jr.'s full frontal nudity wasn't worth watching this movie. Yeah, that's true too.

Swanner: I know what you mean. All the actors are attractive/hot and I couldn't believe how boring and awful the movie was. the story is about a man who's lover has disappeared. He traces him back to his home town in Argentina. At this point I couldn't have cared less but I still hadn't seen Antonio naked yet so I watched on. Then all of a sudden people weren't who they said they were and of course one of the gay people kills himself. It was terrible and the worst part is I actually bought the DVD. There are a few other titles coming out on DVD: *Finding Neverland*, *After the Sunset* and *Closer*. With the exception of *Neverland* new releases are starting to make network TV look good.

Judd: What got me was that

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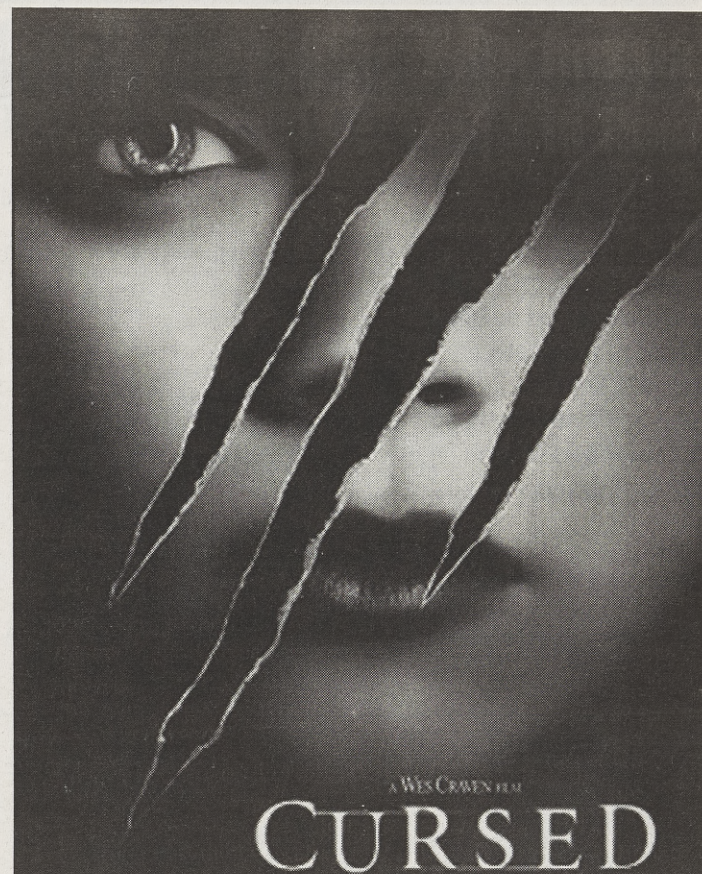
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The poster for the new release of *Cursed* hypes "What doesn't kill you makes you stronger."



Testosterone is billed as a black comedy. There was nothing funny about this movie. The whole time I watched it I kept thinking several things. One was why doesn't Dean, the stalker

boyfriend, just give up? Another was why were these people that didn't like him continuing to help him stalk his boyfriend? Just add it to the stack of crappy gay and lesbian movies that we've seen.

After Sunset seemed to have been made for network TV. I'm sure we'll see it running on Fox, WB, or the UPN some Sunday afternoon very soon. ▼

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Winners in the following categories were as follows:

MVP (Men) - Erickson Aquino, Club 21

MVP (Women) - Anna Leano, Valley Rainbow Pages
Most Improved Player - Miguel Ceja, Club 21
Sportsmanship Award - Alberto Leyva, Leyva's
Hustle Award - Jeff Freitas, Faces

All-Star Team:
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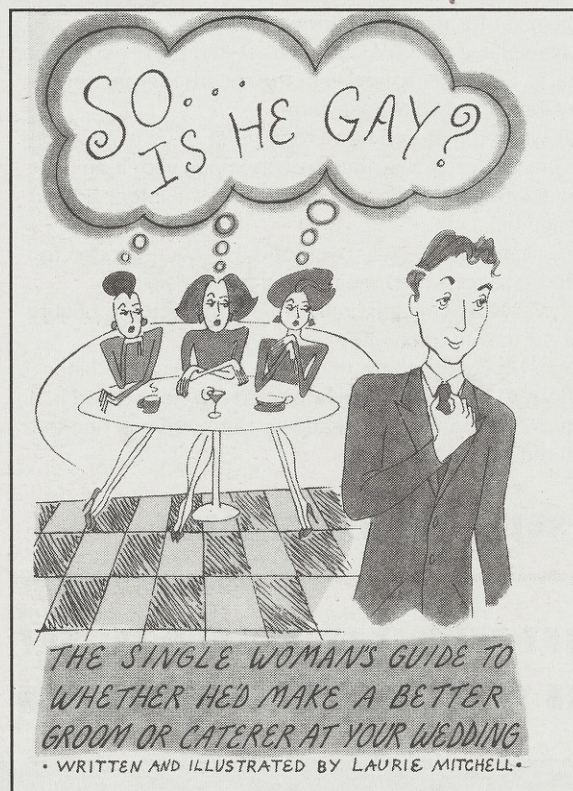


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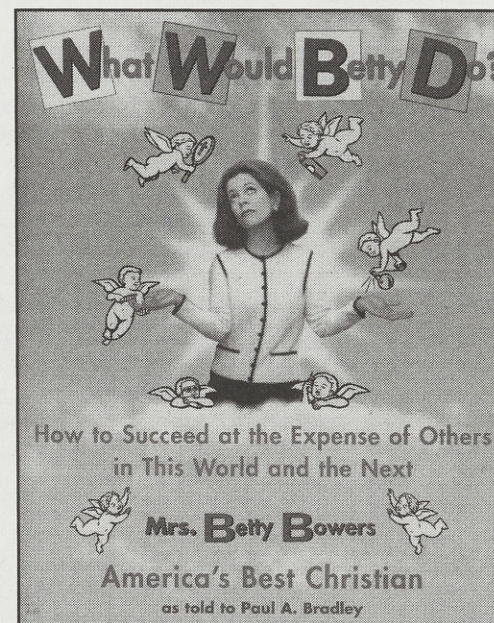
Well, now you can hand her off a copy of *The Single Woman's Guide To Whether He'd Make a Better Groom or Caterer at Your Wedding* or better knows as: *So...Is He Gay?*, written and illustrated by Laurie Mitchell.

This book has been around since 1996, but it's time to dust it off the shelf and give it to a whole new generation of budding fag-hags and clueless straight girls. The book is mostly a column by column comparison of everything from fashion to décor, to eating, drinking and daily life. While some of the comparisons are for humor, others are oddly right on and still hold true almost 10 years later.

Find a copy of this piece of kitch history, get a laugh, and then pass it on to all those straight girls in your life who keeps falling in love with you because you smell nice and don't stare at their breasts. ▼

BETTY SAYS YOU LL BURN IN HELL

By Michael Shanahan/MGW Staff



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What Would Betty Do? is a bitingly satirical look at the Christian Right that will bring out the devil in any reader.

It started as a satirical parody website gathering attention as it was passed around the internet through email. With the amount of attention it gathered, it is no wonder the persona of Betty Bowers has turned into such a cult phenomenon. It was because of this that Paul A. Bradley was able to score a book deal for another obvious cult classic, the book *What Would Betty Do?*, a satire of self-righteousness which is a collection of religious ravings from "America's Best Christian".

The book is a gold mine of laughs at the expense of the Christian right, but with a distinctive sense of gay camp. For anyone whose ever felt the sting of the religious right, this book is a great way to laugh back in their face. *WWBD?* takes on the topics of Bible study, sex, fashion, and social issues and side-splitting humor. The book wields one liner's such as "The poor will always be with us, so we needn't break a heel rushing to help them" and "God created me in His image, I have more than returned the compliment").

There are also a number of gay issues raised, many of which revolve around her work with "B.A.S.H.", an ex-gay group called: Baptists Are Saving Homosexuals. Other highlights in the book stem from moments of sheer-genius from the writer. Gags such as the republican party's initials GOP standing for God's Own Party, and her own personal mantra: "if Heaven is just going to involve running into all the people you avoided on Earth, what would be the point?", make this book anything than dull and a guaranteed good read. ▼

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This quote, by Dr. Neal D. Banard, President of the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, opens Gale Hart's catalogue entitled, "Why Not Eat Your Pet?"

With endorsements like these, one might surmise, this was an art show that had a potent message, and that message was from vegan and animal rights activist Gale Hart.

"I dare to compare our pets to the 'other' animals that we have detached ourselves from in order to eat, test on, wear, and use for entertainment. Many people think of their companion animals as children and treat them as such,

but don't think twice about the suffering of cows, ducks, pigs, elephants, mice, or rabbits.

"My goal is to make them think about, and realize that they have the power to stop it." Her solo exhibition challenges reassessment.

Linda Welch, co-owner of Exploding Head, (924 12th St.) said, "It's not Gale's intention to turn art lovers into purists, but allow an opportunity to enable them to make more informed decisions about their purchases."

Gale Hart's art is a not only a creative expression it's a calling. She is the voice for the voiceless, for those animals that are forgotten, hidden, subjugated and demoralized"

"Gale's art is a voice for the exploited silent animals in entertainment," says Pat Derby co-founder of Performing Animal Welfare Society, (PAWS)

Hart uses her talent on canvas, metal sculpture and resin suspension, to take her powerful

message to art lovers.

Taking a tour through her current show is not for the faint (or carnivore) at heart. She has the imagery of Walt Disney and her humoristic side to incorporate an alarming and talented showcase, dedicated to the awareness of how animals are savagely mistreated in the food industry.

Carnivores will not leave this show without some level of loss and sadness. Meat-eaters will invariably continue, but with Gale's efforts that show her sense of dedication to animals, one will walk away with more of an appreciation of what can potentially be happening in remote farms or massive corporations that still consider animal experimentation necessary.

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INTRODUCTION



I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Shira Davida Goldberg, and I am the new art columnist for the newly formatted Mom Guess What? Newspaper. MGW is the oldest and most established GLBT periodical in Sacramento and with the recent merge, new additions have already begun to take form.

MGW has grown and matured more than most of us even aspire to (or intend to), and as a result, that growth brings with it an expanded cultural interest—both in our own, and the larger artistic community around us.

MGW is more than simply a gay publication; it is a response to the necessity to be represented, heard, and to be visible. I will endeavor, over the coming months, to reintroduce the beauty and activism of art to our community.

Maybe there are many out there thinking, I don't know a thing about art or where to begin. Well, all one needs to get started is an open mind. It is my hope that I can gradually get everyone hooked. Hope you'll join me here each issue.

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Blind Dog Alley: Helping Sight-Impaired Pups

By Matthew Burlingame/MGW Editor

Macc is a 14-year-old poodle. He was adopted into a family when he was around 6 months old. His family is a mother, her older son, and her son's dog, a year older and about 35 pounds heavier. At around age 12, Macc was diagnosed with maturity-onset diabetes. His family learned to give him shots, monitor his diet and watch for signs of low blood sugar attacks. What they weren't prepared for was the effects of the disease taking his sight.

Many dogs who are born blind, or who develop sight-loss with age are able to compensate with the instincts nature so thoughtfully provided for them. But there is a lot that we can do to help our furry friends acclimate to their new situation even better.

The first thing to remember is that your dog is still that same, loveable pup they've always been and will be just as eager to do all those things with you that they've always done. So while you may want to cross throwing the Frisbee off the list—or at least alter it a bit—try to stay as close

to the normal routine as you can. It will help your pet to stick with what is familiar to them. If you go jogging each morning, still take your dog, just remember that they will need your guidance through the leash to help them avoid obstacles, now.

Re-building their confidence is key to letting them know they can still do things that they love—let them know they are still your best buddy and that you are still there.

As they transition into darkness, their beacon to you will become your voice and your scent; if you haven't established a vocal relationship with your dog, now is the time to do so. Just hearing your voice, whether or not they understand what you are saying, will be comforting to them. Say their name every few sentences, or touch them when you are speaking, so they understand you are interacting with them and not talking on the phone or yelling at the TV because the Kings lost again. Remember to try and keep relaxing, happy tones.

Around the home, try not to move furniture around or leave obstacles on the floor that will

disorient your dog, or that might hurt them if they run into it.

It's a proven fact that when humans and animals lose one sense, the other senses begin to compensate for the loss—or rather we simply become more reliant on them. They may not have sight, but they still have their smell, hearing, taste and touch.

Don't let other animals or people approach your dog too fast, make sure to introduce them first by letting your dog "smell" their hand as some newly blind dogs can become easily "startled" and could also lead to "fear-biting". This is another reason that building their confidence is so important.

Coax, encourage and praise them to do the same things they did before. However, understand and still praise them if they can't.

If you have other dogs, and they tend to hang out together, try using bells or jingling tags on the others to not only help your blind pup follow the pack when in the back yard or running through the house, but also to avoid possible aggression from being startled. You can also use bells on your shoes to help them find you

when you are around the house or in the back yard.

Blind pups who sleep on the bed, or are allowed on the couch or other areas also will now have the added challenge of not being able to judge distance or be able to see objects or other pets they may be jumping down on. Be sure to "baby proof" sharp corners, coffee tables, cabinet doors, or other hard objects that could cause them injury if jumped into. Keep areas around the bed

and couch clear, and coffee tables a respectable distance from the couch.

While your dog may not be much of a Frisbee catcher now, that doesn't mean they won't want to play. The best thing is to buy some toys that make noise. For blind children there are items such as baseballs that give off continuous sound until picked up. This might be a perfect Christmas gift for a newly blind pooch. Get them used to it by playing with them in a small area, getting them used to the idea that it is a noisy toy, and getting their scent on it. Then after a few days, take it into the back yard and give it a throw.

Socializing will be extremely important now, don't segregate your pets if at all possible. Many times if a more aggressive pet is given a chance to sense the new situation, they will adapt into a sort of guide dog for the other.

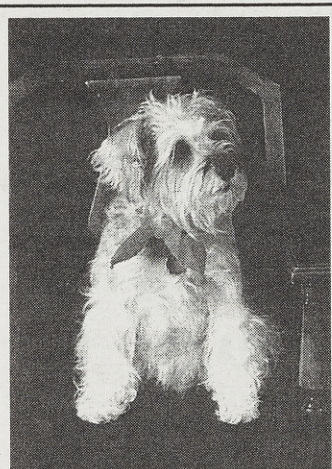
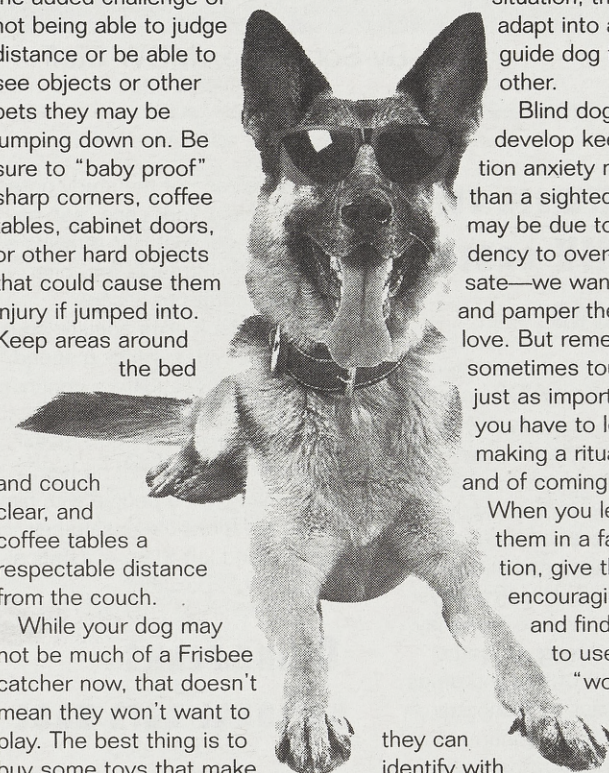
Blind dogs do develop keen separation anxiety more easily than a sighted dog. This may be due to our tendency to over-compensate—we want to coddle and pamper the pup we love. But remember sometimes tough love is just as important. So if you have to leave, try making a ritual of leaving and of coming home.

When you leave, place them in a familiar location, give them encouraging attention and find a keyword to use like "work" or "out" that

they can identify with your leaving. Another way may be to part with them at the door so they know you are not there. The first few times it may be hard, but it will become routine. When you return home, always talk to them, repeating their name and touching them. You might also try putting something on your doorknob that will make noise when the door opens. That way they can hear when you, or an unwanted guest enters the house and head to the door to investigate.

With a little adjusting from his family, Macc is as active and playful as he has always been. All it took was helping him and his family learn to compensate for his disability without taking away his independence. ▼

For more guidance with blind pets, pick up a copy of *Living with Blind Dogs* by Caroline Levin.



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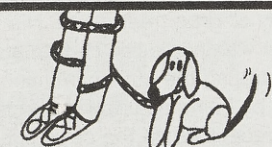
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On the HIV Front...

By Sonya Cox/MGW Staff

LINK BETWEEN TWO MDR-HIV CASES SUSPECTED

A Connecticut AIDS specialist says he believes one of his patients is carrying a strain of HIV that is genetically and epidemiologically linked to the widely reported case of a New York City man with virulent multi-drug-resistant (MDR)-HIV. The physician believes the two men may have had unsafe sex together "during a night of sex and drugs last fall at a club in Manhattan," but that he cannot confirm direct person-to-person transmission of HIV between them, he said.

The Connecticut man's virus is also resistant to 19 of the 21 HIV drugs on the market, and his physician – who is the founder of the Connecticut HIV/AIDS/STD Task Force and the Norwalk-based Global Health Organization – said he is releasing information about his patient's similar strain quickly in order to prevent its spread.

A spokesperson for the New York City Department of Health refused to comment on any potential link between the two cases. "Our investigation is continuing and progressing," they said.

The New York case involves a gay man in his late 40s who had unprotected sex with multiple partners in the fall of 2004 while using crystal methamphetamine. In December, he was found to be HIV-positive with a unique strain of virus that was resistant to nearly all drug treatments. His strain was particularly adept at penetrating the human immune cells by being able to latch onto two receptors on the cell's surface. HIV typically latches onto only one receptor. A research study about the case, published in the medical journal *The Lancet*, is based on the work of researchers Dr. David Ho and Dr. Martin Markowitz of New York's Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center. An editorial accompany-

ing the release of the study noted that the New York case "serves as a reminder that HIV remains a frighteningly versatile foe, one that can mutate to escape immune attack or to acquire drug resistance with surprising speed."

Sadly, as investigators continue to try to locate and identify the New York man's partners, they will likely discover that he has taken many more people with him on his irresponsible unsafe-sex journey, and left them in a critically vulnerable position.

CHINA PLANS NATIONAL DATA BASE

China estimates it is home to about 840,000 people with HIV and AIDS, but experts believe this is an extremely low estimate. In addition, the country has precise information about only a small percent of the 840,000. The United Nations has predicted 10 million cases in China in five years' time if the epidemic goes unchecked. HIV/AIDS is already moving from high-risk groups to the general public in China, the UN coalition said.

In response to the country's long-awaited recognition of the fact that it has a problem, the Health Ministry says it will establish a national database of its citizens with HIV and AIDS to better track the epidemic. "We are still blind about some vital aspects of HIV/AIDS control," said the vice minister of health. At the present time, only about 200 health professionals are engaged in HIV treatment and prevention, and many doctors who are working in the specialty lack appropriate training.

China's first HIV/AIDS prevention and control regulation is being drafted and is expected to define the rights and duties of residents and regional governments in fighting the disease. Each province will offer free, voluntary HIV tests in the hope of identifying more cases, following testing that was recently complet-

ed on 410,000 high-risk people in one of the country's hardest-hit areas who were infected through unsanitary blood-buying schemes in the early 1990s. The primary transmission route in China is through drug injection, but the proportion of sexually transmitted HIV infections and mother-to-child transmissions has rapidly increased in recent years.

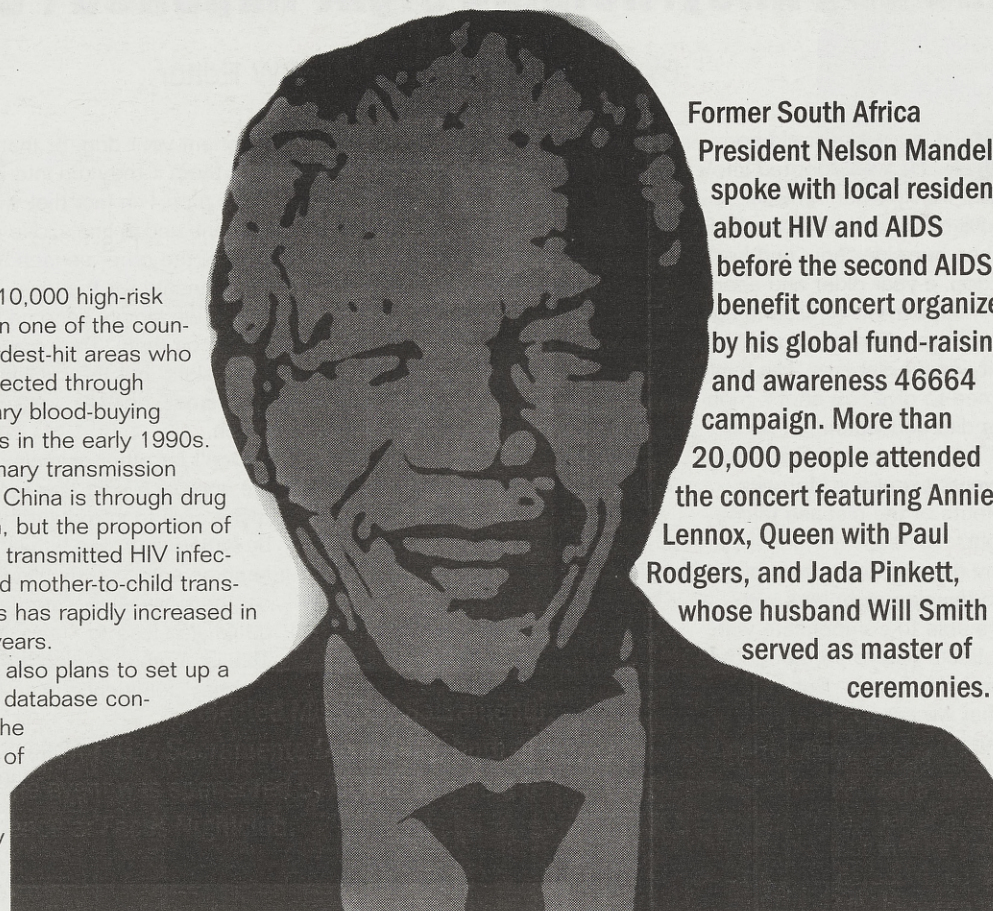
China also plans to set up a national database containing the records of its citizens with HIV and AIDS in an effort

to get a better grip of the extent of the epidemic. A mere 12 percent of known cases are currently registered with health authorities, and disease control centers have detailed records for only 4.2 percent. The Ministry of Health had vowed to establish the database, with entries for every reported person with HIV or AIDS.

In what is seen by some as an over-reaction, authorities in one China province recently announced they will require all hospitality industry workers to take annual HIV tests, and those found to be infected will be removed from their jobs and transferred to different jobs. The mandatory free tests are meant to control HIV's spread and help get those infected into timely treatment, and would apply to employees of hotels, bathhouses, beauty salons, nightclubs, and other entertainment venues that play a role in China's sex industry.

Those testing positive for HIV or other STDs would also be denied a certificate of good health, without which they could not legally work in the hospitality or service industries.

Though the United Nations strongly supports voluntary HIV testing, Yunnan province's mandatory testing rule "is a worri-



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some development." Mandatory testing was tried several years ago in Thailand and was found to be much less effective than condom promotion, said a UN representative.

UNAIDS is forwarding its concerns about such testing to the Chinese government authorities, he said. "We're encouraged by the overall attention of the government to raise attention to AIDS. But we also want to make sure that the best possible policies are put in place."

MANDELLA BENEFIT CONCERT DRAWS 20,000

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The name of Mandela's 46664 Foundation is a reference to the prisoner number the anti-

apartheid hero was assigned during his 27-year incarceration. The 86-year-old Mandela recently lost his eldest son to AIDS, and he spoke movingly to highlight the plight of women living with HIV and AIDS in South Africa, where one in five adults is infected.

ANONYMOUS LETTERS MAILED TO PEOPLE WITH HIV IN FLORIDA

The Palm Beach County Health Director is calling for a criminal investigation into anonymous letters sent to local HIV-positive people, an act she described as "terrorism." "Your name appeared on a list of HIV-AIDS patients for Palm Beach County," said the letters that had no return address. They asked recipients to call a number to "become a sponsor and donate your time to help the families" of HIV-positive people in Palm Beach County.

The letters were mailed soon after a confidential list of about 6,500 people with HIV was accidentally e-mailed last month to at least 16 county health workers. That list did not include address-

es. Twelve minutes after the e-mail was sent, the department shut down the system, deleted the data, and met with all employees in the Department to emphasize the confidentiality of the information.

"We have a creep out there trying to frighten people following a separate incident with that e-mail," said the Health Director. "I believe people are taking advantage of this situation and frightening people who are already living with this horrendous disease."

Mailed in West Palm Beach, the letters carried printed address labels and listed the phone number of a medical billing firm in Indiana. The company's attorney denied any link between the company and the mailings.

MORE AIDS COURSES FOR NY YOUTH ENCOURAGED

The Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta says more than half of new HIV infections occur in those 24 or younger. In response, a South Bronx health education group is pressing schools to increase the number of classes on HIV and AIDS.

The group says New York schools are mocking a state law that requires an AIDS curriculum. At present, AIDS is taught as part of the STD curriculum only in health classes. A Department of Education representative said the city plans to kick off a new health curriculum this fall that will include HIV and AIDS material. These classes would also be updated with the new material. "In my health class, the farthest we got about sex education was pregnancy," said a senior at Theodore Roosevelt High School.

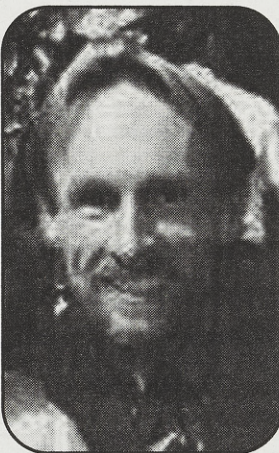
City Health Department statistics show that about 2,000 city residents ages 12-24 are HIV-infected, not including those who were infected at birth. The group has launched the Kidz Commission on AIDS, a group that trains peer mentors to teach others about HIV. Its members will be encouraged to collect signatures calling for New York's Schools Chancellor to boost AIDS education.

One trainer who runs a South Bronx summer workshop on AIDS, said he finds that incoming program participants "don't know anything about HIV." ▼

IN MEMORY OF MACK LAWSON

On March 3, 2005, after a long and courageous 18-year battle with AIDS, Mack Allen Lawson passed away in the arms of his partner, surrounded by his family and beloved friends.

Mack was an outstanding community volunteer with an incredible talent for fund-raising. This past summer, he was honored by CARES at its annual fund-raiser luau as the recipient of the health-care provider's prestigious Volunteer Recognition Award. The award was presented to Mack for his numerous contributions to the community of people in Sacramento with HIV and AIDS, and for his many contributions to CARES, including helping to coordinate and decorate the luau event itself.



Mack was expert in working with the media to bring visibility to the accomplishments and programs created by and for people with HIV. He volunteered his time for years to make life better for Sacramento residents living with HIV, and was one of the founders of the social club Sacramento Valley POZabilities, an immediately-popular idea that established a way for local men with HIV to get together with one another in a variety of social settings.

He had no fear in standing at the podium at the World AIDS Day commemoration at Crocker Gallery, sharing his personal story and pleading with his listeners to be diligent in playing their part to stop the spread of this disease. Mack had a gracious spirit which shined brightly no matter what challenges he faced, and on top of it all he had an effervescent personality and a smile that lit up the room.

He is survived by his partner Eric Vianelle, his mother and stepfather Maxine and Bill Nasset, his grandmother, his brothers and sisters, and numerous nieces, nephews and other family members in whom he delighted. Mack will also be greatly missed by his dear friends Erica Dunphy, Ernest Stout, Joanne Elias, Pamela Dobson, his godson Liam Dunphy, and the many friends in Sacramento who delighted in knowing, and working, and hanging out with him through the years.

A memorial celebration will be organized in Early May. Mack asked that donations be made in his name to various HIV/AIDS charities such as CARES and Breaking Barriers. He was a charming man, a dedicated volunteer, and he will be missed very much. ▼

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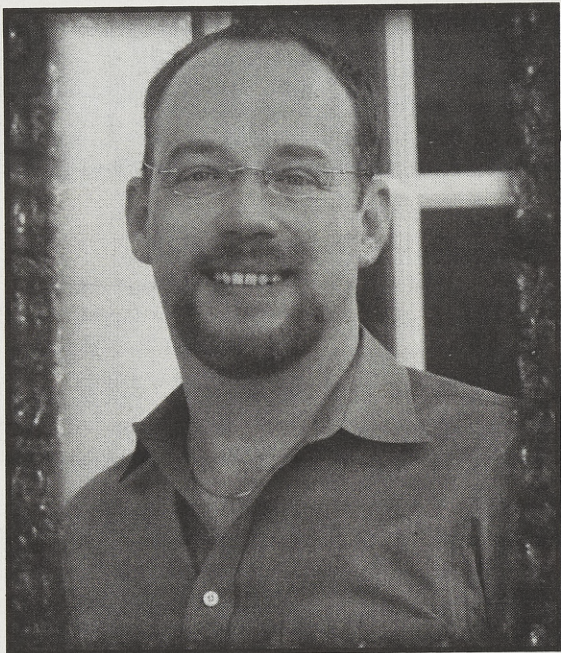
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8199, frontrunners.org
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 SAC LEGAL: geocities.com/WestHollywood/Park/3103
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1790, sacramentovalleypozabilities@yahoo.com
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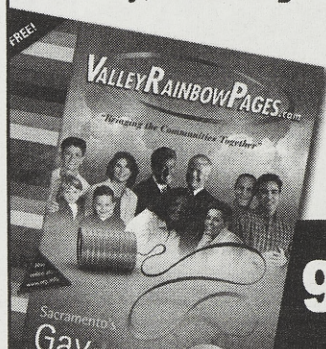
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CHILD SAFETY, Photo ID & Fingerprinting, Free, 9am-Noon, Carmichael Park, 5750 Grant Ave., 485-5322

SELL & SWAP, Towe Auto Museum Register at 9am, 10am for public, 2200 Front Street, 442-6802

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3 SUNDAY

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5 TUESDAY

ANCIENT HELLENIC ARTS COUNCIL LECTURE, Legion of Honor, Free, 8pm, 100 34th Ave., San Francisco, 415-750-3686

6 WEDNESDAY

AMERICAN DECORATIVE ARTS FORUM LECTURE, Legion of Honor, ADAF Members Free, Non-Members \$15, 7pm, 100 34th Ave., San Francisco, 415-249-9234

7 THURSDAY

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9 SATURDAY

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14 THURSDAY

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PARMOUNT ON PARADE, Nick Langdon, \$8, 7pm, Towe Auto Museum, 2200 front St., 442.6802

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PLANT SALE, AIDS Benefit, 10am-3pm, 7700 Center Parkway, 429-8315, aid-splantsale.home.att.net
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New Conservatory Theatre, 25 Van Ness Avenue, S.F., 415-861-8972, nctcsf.org, \$20-\$40, "Confessions of a Mormon Boy" April 14-24, "The Blue Dress" thru April 17, "The Shooting Stage" thru May 8
Studio Theatre, 1028 R St., 446.2668, studiotheatre.net, \$17-\$19, "Closer Than Ever", Apr. 7-May 29

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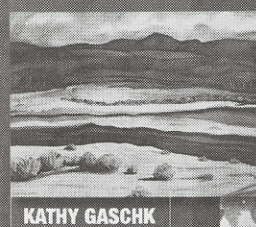
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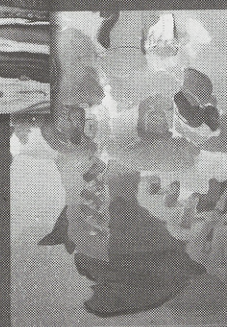
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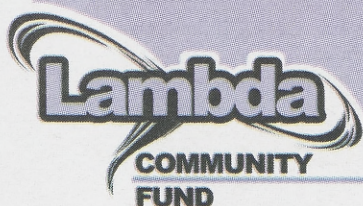
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